

# **Stone Ridge Comments Regarding the Proposed RFP for:**

## ***Transportation Infrastructure Improvements associated with medical facilities related to recommendations of the 2005 Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission***

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- **Selection Criteria Comments**
  - Current Selection criteria weighting:
    - 25% to transportation issues that impedes the provision of care in the military medical facility
    - 25% to the magnitude of the transportation issue that affects the military medical facility
    - 25% to ability to get the project completed in a reasonable time, including getting other funding needed
    - 25% to the extent the proposed construction solves the transportation issue
  - The current Selection Criteria is heavily weighted (50%) towards addressing transportation issues that impede the functioning of medical facilities as opposed to the BRAC's affect on the local community, commuters, neighbors, etc. that might not have anything to do with the medical facility except that they have to drive by it or are located near it.
  - The current Selection Criteria should be modified to provide a more equitable review analysis that considers BRAC impacts on the community, in addition to the medical facility's mission to provide quality care. One way to do it would be to revise the second selection criteria (Section V(b)) to provide 25% weighting consideration concerning the magnitude of the transportation issue that affects the local community. Based on this, our proposed Selection Criteria could be:

- 25% to transportation issues that impedes the provision of care in the military medical facility
  - 25% to the magnitude of the transportation issue that affects the surrounding community
  - 25% to ability to get the project completed in a reasonable time, including getting other funding needed
  - 25% to the extent the proposed construction solves the transportation issue
- **Strategy Comments**
  - Who should submit a Proposal, SHA, another State Agency, Montgomery County, other localities, or a combination of these? SHA is a logical choice but the BIC should make that decision after consultation with all members and SHA.
    - Can Montgomery County and SHA submit separate proposals that might have overlap in what they ask for (thus giving us two chances to get a specific part of a project)?
  - The RFP states that it encourages entities to submit multiple smaller project (less than \$100 million), but this suggestion may be made to make it easier for them to “split the baby” and if that is the case, is that in our best interest? We need to consider if we have a better chance if it is all the improvements are submitted together or in separate projects and, if in separate projects, which entities might have the best chance of getting the funds.
  - Who will decide what we ask for? It should be the members of the BIC in consultation with SHA. Note that we can’t supplant other available funds, but we can add to them.
  - Note that we will need help from the Navy to get a lot of the information needed to submit.

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